--- 5 Pounds - “Series of 1915”- SNUFF - 460 x 21 mm. design ---

--- Die No. F-101 - inscribed with OVER / *40%* / MOISTURE ---

--- recess printed by ABN, New York ---

The snuff moisture distinction *over 40% moisture* and *not more than 40% moisture* had been discontinued when the Budget of 1908 was tabled. Perhaps in 1915, with World War I in progress, there was consideration being given to the re-introduction of these two moisture classifications, or the die had been prepared prior to 1908. In any event it does not seem that production runs were made using ABN die F-101.

In a memorandum to *D. Sims, Esq.* (Deputy Minister of National Revenue, Customs and Excise) dated June 14th 1944, *L. A. White* and *C.R. Coombs* record the destruction of the ABN die No. F-101 for the “Series of 1915” five pound “Over 40% Moisture” snuff strip.

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